

Draft Environmental Quality Council Work Plan Decision Matrix 2019-20120						
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The following topics are either legislative study resolution requests assigned by the Legislative Council to the EQC or member suggested issues.						
HJ 38 Bonding, etc. for energy facilities	Study Resolution	.15 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option B intensified</li> <li>Field trip</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interim report</li> <li>Legislation</li> </ul>	.1 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option C</li> <li>In-depth of laws; rules</li> <li>Assess risks</li> <li>Stakeholder presentations</li> <li>Review other states</li> <li>Facility-specific information</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary report</li> <li>Legislation</li> </ul>	.05 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview</li> <li>Summarize laws; rules</li> <li>Panel discussion</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary</li> <li>Recommendations</li> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul>	No Action	
SJ 20 Wilderness Study Areas	Study resolution	.3 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option B intensified</li> <li>Field trips</li> <li>Field hearings</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interim report</li> <li>Legislation</li> </ul>	.15 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option C</li> <li>Agency-specific overviews of WSA or individual WSAs</li> <li>Multiple panel discussions;</li> <li>Other stakeholder involvement</li> <li>Possible Field trip</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary report</li> <li>Legislation</li> </ul>	.05 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview WSA history; policy</li> <li>Summarize stakeholder involvement</li> <li>Panel discussion</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary</li> <li>Recommendations</li> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul>	No Action	
SJ 30 Fish, Wildlife location data	Study Resolution	.2 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option B intensified</li> <li>Field trip/hearing</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul> Interim report	.1 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option C</li> <li>Review of other states</li> <li>Legal review; possible opinion</li> </ul> Deliverables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary report</li> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul>	.05 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of other states</li> <li>Legal review of applicable statutes</li> <li>Panel discussion</li> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul>	No Action	

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EQC Statutory Duties	Statute	.5 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fulfill all statutory requirements</li> <li>Establish MEPA training and training schedule for state employees and others</li> <li>Review and comment on certain agency MEPA documents for compliance and consistency</li> <li>Review and comment as a Council on environmental reviews for selected projects</li> <li>Collect environmental trend information. Create online repository</li> <li>Participate in all mandatory meetings and other environmental policy meetings (e.g. Board of Environmental Review, Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission, etc.)</li> <li>Notify/solicit permit applicants to present MEPA concerns to EQC</li> </ul>	.2 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fulfill selected statutory requirements in greater detail</li> <li>Accept reports and select some for EQC review, analysis, and comment</li> <li>Select specific topics for further analysis or presentation</li> <li>Collect environmental trend information. Create online repository</li> <li>Provide MEPA training to state agencies on as requested basis. Conduct needs assessment and develop periodic training schedule accordingly</li> <li>Review selected controversial MEPA documents/projects</li> </ul>	.1 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fulfill statutory requirements at minimal level of effort</li> <li>Accept reports</li> <li>Participate in meetings as necessary</li> <li>Identify and describe trends in EQC interim study work</li> <li>Request trend information for each topic reviewed by EQC</li> <li>Collect environmental trend information. Create online repository</li> <li>Provide requested MEPA training to state agencies as time allows</li> <li>Track MEPA litigation during interim</li> </ul>		

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Agency Oversight	Statute	<b>.2 FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option B intensified</li> <li>Committee of the whole involved</li> <li>Consistent EQC involvement encompassing a broad range of oversight issues</li> <li>Report, recommendation or legislation for changes in implementation of state policy</li> </ul>	<b>.1 FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option C</li> <li>More intensive review of administrative rules. Attorney provides synopses of significant and controversial proposed rules</li> <li>Active EQC review of rules and legislation</li> </ul>	<b>.05 FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize oversight issues before the EQC as requested</li> <li>Review advisory councils &amp; reports</li> <li>Council members receive copies of rule notices of proposed adoption of rules</li> <li>Review draft agency legislation</li> <li>Receive and comment on the compliance and enforcement report required pursuant to 75-1-314, MCA</li> <li>Oversight on an as needed basis</li> <li>Legislation (if any)</li> </ul>		
Agency Oversight (Program Review) <i>See Attached Documents</i>	Statute	Using the attached flow chart, spreadsheet, and program review time estimates, the EQC may choose any combinations of programs to review at a designated level. The portion of FTE allocated to this topic would be the sum of those choices.			No Action	
EQC Publications	Statute and Historic Precedence	<b>.1 - .3FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option B</li> <li>Identify publications for rewrite, redesign</li> </ul>	<b>.05 FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Option C</li> <li>Rewrite and edit for clarity</li> <li>Identify topic for info pamphlet, if necessary</li> </ul>	<b>.02 FTE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update publications to reflect statutory changes</li> <li>EQC review</li> </ul>		
Member & Emerging Issues						
Total Available Staff Resources  <b>1 FTE</b>						Total FTE allocated

Interim FTE Equivalents

.05 FTE = 144 hrs = 18 days

.10 FTE = 288 hrs = 36 days

.25 FTE = 720 hrs = 90 days

.50 FTE = 1440 hrs = 180 days

.75 FTE = 2160 hrs = 270 days

1 FTE = 2880 hrs = 360 days